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June 02, 2015

The Honorable Board of Supervisors  
County of Los Angeles  
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Dear Supervisors:

## COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES


### FIRE DEPARTMENT

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## ADOPTED

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

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PATRICK O'GARA  
ACTING EXECUTIVE OFFICER

### **SECURING THE CITIES GRANT PROGRAM SUBRECIPIENT AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES MAYOR'S OFFICE (ALL DISTRICTS) (3-VOTES)**

#### **SUBJECT**

Authorize the Fire Chief of the Consolidated Fire Protection District of Los Angeles County (District), to enter into a Subrecipient Agreement with the City of Los Angeles Mayor's Office (Mayor's Office) to participate in the Securing the Cities (STC) Grant Program. In addition, the District is requesting authorization to enter into future Subrecipient Agreements and/or Memorandum of Understandings (MOU's) with the Mayor's Office for continued participation in the STC Grant Program.

#### **IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD ACTING AS THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CONSOLIDATED FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY:**

1. Authorize the Fire Chief, or his designee, as a County Agent to enter into a Subrecipient Agreement with the Mayor's Office to participate in the STC Grant Program, as approved to form by County Counsel. The term of the initial Agreement is January 1, 2013 to July 15, 2015.
2. Authorize the Fire Chief, or his designee, as a County Agent to enter into future Subrecipient Agreements and/or MOUs with the Mayor's Office for continued participation in the STC Grant Program, if approved as to form by County Counsel.

#### **PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION**

The United States Department of Homeland Security (US DHS) Domestic Nuclear Detection Office

(DNDO) releases grant funding to enhance the capabilities of State and local agencies to develop a regional structure of law enforcement and first responder organizations to identify, prevent, and respond to potential nuclear and radiological threats. The STC Grant Program began in 2006 as a pilot project for the New York City region. Through the STC Grant Program, the New York region has received more than 8,500 pieces of detection equipment, trained nearly 13,000 personnel, and conducted more than a hundred drills.

The STC Grant Program is a five (5) year performance based grant with incremental funding of up to \$30 million. In October 2012, the Mayor's Office received a \$1.5 million STC grant award from the US DHS DNDO to enhance radiological, nuclear detection, and interdiction capabilities of the Los Angeles/Long Beach Urban Area. An additional \$9.9 million award was received on July 25, 2013, for second year funding. The Mayor's Office has submitted an STC Grant Program application for consideration of third year funding; and, anticipates submittal of applications for fourth and fifth year funding.

Initial STC Grant Program strategies in the Los Angeles/Long Beach Urban Area will focus on meeting the immediate needs of state and local agencies to develop baseline nuclear detection and reporting capabilities, including equipment and training/exercises. The District, along with the Sheriff and Health Departments, Los Angeles Police Department, Los Angeles Fire Department, Los Angeles Airport Police Department, Los Angeles Port Police Department, Orange County Sheriff's Department, and California Highway Patrol participate in the STC Grant Program initiative by committing personnel, equipment, and support to its development and ongoing sustainment.

The District requests delegated authority for the Fire Chief, or his designee, as a County Agent to enter into the current and future Subrecipient Agreements and MOU's with the Mayor's Office to participate in the STC Grant Program, as approved to form by County Counsel. The term of the initial STC Grant Program Subrecipient Agreement is January 1, 2013 to July 15, 2015. Please be assured the District is aware grant activities may not be implemented until such time as the STC Grant Program Subrecipient Agreement is fully executed. To alleviate future delays, the District has been in contact with the Mayor's Office to initiate the timely review of the STC Subrecipient Agreement for third year grant funding.

As a participating agency in the STC Grant Program, the District shall be reimbursed up to \$64,400 under the current Subrecipient Agreement for training and exercise-related personnel expenses; and, shall have use of detection equipment purchased with grant funds.

### **Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals**

Approval of the recommended actions is consistent with the County's Strategic Plan Goal Number 1, Operational Effectiveness/Fiscal Sustainability; and, Goal Number 3, Integrated Services Delivery.

### **FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING**

The District's Fiscal Year 2014-15 Budget and Fiscal Year 2015-16 Recommended Budget includes sufficient funding. The STC Grant Program is fully funded by the US DHS DNDO with funding released to the Mayor's Office. There is no cost-share or matching fund requirement.

There is no impact on net County cost.

## **FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS**

The US DHS DNDO provided the Mayor's Office with specific guidelines for the administration and management of the STC Grant Program. These guidelines detail all activities and expenditures eligible for reimbursement.

The subject STC Grant Program Subrecipient Agreement, as well as any future Subrecipient Agreements and/or MOU's, will require the District to follow these guidelines. All such Subrecipient Agreements and/or MOUs will be approved as to form by County Counsel.

## **ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION**

This project is not pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) as it involves equipment excluded from the definition of a project by Section 15378(b) of the State CEQA Guidelines on the basis that it is an organizational or administrative activity of government that will not result in direct or indirect physical changes in the environment.

## **IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)**

The STC Grant Program provides grant funding to enhance radiological, nuclear detection, and interdiction capabilities of the Los Angeles/Long Beach Urban Area and surrounding jurisdictions. Approval of the recommended actions will enhance the ability of the District to provide effective and essential levels of public safety to residents; and, mitigate threats and incidents of terrorism.

## **CONCLUSION**

Upon approval by your Honorable Board, please electronically submit a Statement of Proceedings to the following:

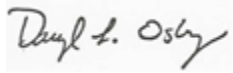
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The Honorable Board of Supervisors

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Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Daryl L. Osby", is shown within a light gray rectangular box.

DARYL L. OSBY

FIRE CHIEF, FORESTER & FIRE WARDEN

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Acting Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors  
County Counsel  
Auditor-Controller